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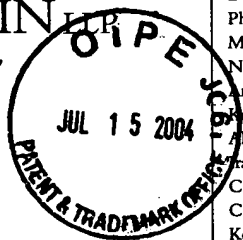
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Inventors: Bruce D. Gaynor, Betty A. Diamond, Matthew D. Scharff,
and Philippe Valadon

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Sir:

Enclosed please find the following documents for filing in connection with the above-identified application in the names of Bruce D. Gaynor, Betty A. Diamond, Matthew D. Scharff, and Philippe Valadon, entitled PEPTIDES FOR THE TREATMENT AND DIAGNOSIS OF SYSTEMIC LUPUS ERYTHEMATOSUS:

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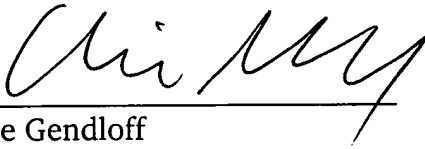
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